MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Sir, I was constrained to put this question due to the Legal Remembrancer's statement that the statement was incorrect.

PRESIDENT: Supposing a newspaper man speculates and states that no more judges will be appointed from the Bar, We cannot penalise him for that view. It is open to the journalists to speculate on the matter.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: But their statement should be correct.

PRESIDENT: There was no statement at all. I went into the matter and they have said only "We understand from enquiry that the recruitment from the Bar is not likely....." How can that be contradicted? It may be that it is not likely. That is all that the paper stated.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI: May I know whether the Government would be pleased to consider again the statement made by the A. P. I?

PRESIDENT: Not at all. The A. P. I. is a news agency just like other news agencies. If it says that it understands on reliable authority, or that the Government wants it to notify or that the Government's policy is as follows, then it carries intrinsic weight. But the A. P. I. is entitled just like other journalists to guess and it is not prohibited from giving currency to tendentious publications or from influencing or trying to influence Government. They are entitled to do this just as other journalists.

Recruitment to the Judiciary from the Bar.

291. MR. G. VELU PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether their attention has been drawn to a recent statement by the Associated Press of India from Trivandrum, published in some of the leading dailies in the State, that there will not be any recruitment to the Judiciary from the Bar for some time;

(*b*) whether Government have arrived at any such decision;

(*c*) if so, the reasons for the same; and

(*d*) whether it indicates any change in the present policy of recruitment to the Judiciary?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) The statement, referred to, was not one issued on behalf of Government.

(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) In view of answer to (*a*) these do not arise.

Recruitment to the Judiciary from the Bar.

292. *MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have decided not to recruit judicial officers from the Bar for some time to come;

(*b*) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, the reasons that prompted them to make the above decision; and

(*c*) the period during which the above decision is intended to be boraded to?

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MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) There has been no consideration, or decision consequent thereon, in respect of the subject, referred to by the member.

(*b*) and (*c*) In view of answer to (*a*), these do not arise.

Appointments to Public Service.

293. *MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: Will the Government be pleased to state the number of vacancies of posts carrying a pay of Rs. 25 and above which occurred after the appointment of the Public Service Commissioner and which were within his appointing powers?

MR. C. S. LAKSHMANAN PILLAI: Sixty.

Appointments by the Public Service Commissioner.

294. *MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the appointments carrying a pay of Rs. 50 and above made by the Public Service Commissioner during the years 1115 and 1116?

MR. C. S. LAKSHMANAN PILLAI: No appointment on a pay of Rs. 50 and above has been made by the Public Service Commissioner during 1115 and 1116.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: ഫസ്റ്റ്-ലും ഫസ്റ്റ് ലും ഇ ഒ ശുപാർശമേൽ ശമ്പളമുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങൾ നടത്തിയിട്ടില്ല എന്നു പറഞ്ഞല്ലോ. മറ്റുള്ള ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുകാർ ആ നിയമനങ്ങൾ നടത്തിയതു കൊണ്ടാണോ, അതോ, വേക്കൻസി ഇല്ലാഞ്ഞതു കൊണ്ടാണോ അങ്ങനെ നടത്താതിരുന്നതു്?

MR. C. S. LAKSHMANAN PILLAI: ചോദ്യം പബ്ലിക്ക് സർവീസ് കമ്മീഷണർ ഇ ഒ ശുപാർശമേലുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങൾ നടത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ എന്നാണു്. അതിനാണു് ഇല്ല എന്ന മറുപടി പറഞ്ഞതു്. അതു കൊണ്ടു മറ്റു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലേക്കു് അഡ്വൈസ് ചെയ്തിട്ടില്ല എന്ന അർത്ഥമില്ല.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: അങ്ങനെ അഡ്വൈസ് ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. C. S. LAKSHMANAN PILLAI: ഉണ്ടു്.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: ഏതു പേരെ നിയമിക്കണമെന്നു് അഡ്വൈസു് ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടു്?

MR. C. S. LAKSHMANAN PILLAI: അതു നിശ്ചയമില്ല. ലിസ്റ്റുനോക്കാതെ ഓർമ്മയില്ല.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: അഡ്വൈസ് ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ള ആളുകളെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. C. S. LAKSHMANAN PILLAI: ഉണ്ടെന്നാണു് എന്റെ വിശ്വാസം.

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